2008 & 2008 Abstract and Print NOV Code Instructions

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The Department of Revenue has recently completed upgrading the Abstract Codes and the Print NOV codes in RealWare. These tables were completed in cooperation with CCI and were updated on your local server and put into production last week. It was decided at the 2007 County Assessor's Association meeting in Cheyenne, that the new abstract code revisions would be put into place for this year. This will undoubtedly put some pressure on the county assessor to make all of the necessary changes occur. The good news, is that many of these changes can be accomplished using the batch update routines RealWare.

There have been several significant changes in the abstract coats. The codes that have undergone the most changes are the industrial and exempt abstract codes. However, all of the abstract categories have experience some changes. The industrial codes have been changed to reflect the new revisions in Chapter 12 that should be released later this year.

Because the counties have already started working in the 2007 tax year, the department was unable to simply delete the old codes and replace them with new codes. Subsequently, you will now find that the 2007 tax year will contain the new abstract codes as well as those that are being deleted. The challenge for the county assessor, over the next several months, is to migrate from the old abstract numbers to the new abstract numbers. Please note that this process must occur before the SBOE reports abstracts are due.

First, several of the old abstract numbers will eventually be deleted. These codes cannot be removed from your CAMA system until all of your 2007 records that are associated with these codes are changed. The deleted codes include 00199, 00299, 00399, 00499, 00500, 00599, 20099, 10300, 19900, 20099, 30000, 30099, 30201, 30202, 30203, 30204, 30300, 30400, 60000, 60099, 60103 – 60108, 60203 – 60208, 60303 – 60306, 60403, 60404, 60500 and 60900.

Second, several of the abstract numbers have also changed in description only. These codes should be reviewed to ensure that they are assigned correctly. These code numbers include 20703, 30102 – 30117, 39901, 39902, 60101, 660102, 60201, 60202, 60301, 60302, 60401, 60402, 60601 – 60603, 60701, 60702 and 60801 – 60803.

Third, as mentioned in an earlier e-mail, all old abstract codes ending in "99" with a description of "cleanup" should also be removed. These codes were originally designed and were used primarily for the conversion from the old mainframe systems to the new RealWare CAMA system.

To help assist you in reviewing and modifying the necessary records, we have placed a Microsoft Access database on your CAMA server that contains tables that will help you identify the accounts that have been affected by the numbering change. You can find this database under C:\Temp\Records to Review.mdb.

DOR will be monitoring each county to ensure the removal of deleted abstract codes from accounts for Tax Year 2007 occurs in a timely manner. It is important that each county takes the time and makes these corrections now. By not removing the deleted codes, we run the risk that the SBOE abstract report will contain errors. Again, we're looking for completion of this process before abstract time.

If you have questions on how to use the batch interface within RealWare, please contact CCI's customer support at 1-800-806-7896 extension 2. If you have general questions regarding the abstract codes themselves, please fill free to contact David Chapman at 307-777-5289.. Also, you may also obtain the latest copy of the abstract codes from the Wyoming CAMA website at http://cama.wyoming.gov under the "DOR Managed Tables" section.